

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING HOLLY'S HISTORY OF SERVICE

HON. ELISSA SLOTKIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Ms. SLOTKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my little town of Holly and, in particular, its commitment to its men and women who have served in uniform. I am especially proud to commemorate the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center and its dedicated members as they host a Welcome Home event tomorrow for our troops and their families.

Holly's track record of service isn't limited to just one event on one day—far from it. Our village's commitment is absolute, as evidenced by the namesake of the community center where the Veterans' Resource Center holds its events: Lt. Karl Richter.

As a 23-year-old officer in the Air Force, Lt. Richter became the youngest pilot to shoot down a MiG over Vietnam. He would eventually fly 198 missions—the most out of any airman at the time—and would ultimately earn the Air Force Cross, the Silver Star, and Purple Heart for his valor.

Lt. Richter was born and raised in Holly, and the legacy of service that he exemplified continues to live on in our community. The old oak tree in the parking lot of Holly Elementary School is ringed by dozens of yellow ribbons noting which of our hometown heroes are on active duty. Holly is also home to the Great Lakes National Cemetery, where over fifty-thousand of our nation's veterans and their family members have been laid to rest. At their military funerals, it's common to see a joint honor guard of Holly VFW and American Legion members carry on their traditions with a performance.

Lastly, together with local leaders and veterans groups, my team led an effort to rename our local post office. I believe service is the greatest love letter you can send your country, and at the Holly Veterans Memorial Post Office, we will soon be able to pay tribute to that service each time we send letters of our own.

In short, Holly is a place that knows its veterans. We're proud to stand with them throughout their entire careers—from that first bus that takes them to boot camp until their retirement and beyond. After all, when we send folks to fight for us, we have a responsibility to care for them and their loved ones for the rest of their lives.

That said, we know that the return to civilian life can be difficult. With its Welcome Home event tomorrow, Holly honors the service and sacrifice of veterans and their families. With a parade, food trucks, and live music, we will celebrate the folks who stepped up to serve our nation. And through a commemorative pinning for any veteran who served from 1955 to 1975, we will thank them for their willingness to risk life and limb to defend our way of life.

Representing Holly is one of the greatest privileges of my life. I'm proud to honor Holly,

so that its legacy of service can forever be remembered.

HONORING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIAMOND JUBILEE, OF SAINT TIMOTHY CATHOLIC CHURCH

HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Mr. GIMENEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 60th anniversary of the Diamond Jubilee, of Saint Timothy Catholic Church in Miami, FL. Saint Timothy was founded in 1960, and the church and parish have expanded to include many members of Florida's 26th Congressional District and beyond.

Saint Timothy Catholic Church not only provides a place of worship but also engages its parishioners through outreach to give back to the surrounding community. By distributing food to the hungry and providing a wide range of outreach services, the church exhibits the strong passion it has for helping others. I am very thankful for all the great work that Saint Timothy Catholic Church and their parishioners contribute to our community.

I congratulate all members of Saint Timothy Catholic Church on their 60 years of community. I look forward to their continued success and prosperity in the future.

HONORING BILL MCCARTHY, 2021 CENTRAL OHIO SENIOR CITIZENS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Mr. JORDAN. Madam Speaker, the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging will host its 45th annual Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame induction ceremony on October 6 in Columbus. I am honored to commend to the House one of this year's inductees: William McCarthy of Marysville.

Bill is a mainstay of the Marysville community. He started working at Wolgamot's Drug Store in 1949, the same year he graduated from Marysville High School. He then earned his pharmacy degree from Ohio Northern University, after which he purchased a share in Wolgamot's. In 1971, after buying out the last of his partners, he renamed it McCarthy Pharmacy. McCarthy Pharmacy was a downtown Marysville landmark for many years, famous for its five-cent coffee.

Bill met his wife, Ruth, in 1949 while working at the pharmacy. They shared 63 years of marriage until her passing in 2016. They were long-time members of Trinity Lutheran Church and committed delivery drivers for Meals on Wheels programs in Marysville and Plain City.

Bill continues to serve Marysville in many ways, including as a member of the G.L. Kingsmore Scholarship Committee. He is proud to be a 33rd degree Mason.

Madam Speaker, selection for the Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame is a high honor accorded to seniors who have devoted their lives to serving others. I am pleased to join in the accolades for Bill McCarthy on his induction and thank the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging for recognizing his many sacrifices—and those of all of this year's inductees.

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LATINO CENTER ON AGING

HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Mr. GIMENEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 30th anniversary of the Latino Center on Aging (LCA). LCA was founded in 1991 and for decades has been a champion of advocating on behalf of Latino senior citizens by advancing and improving their quality of life. The center has been able to support and assist many members of Florida's 26th congressional district and beyond.

The Latino Center on Aging has successfully been able to carry out its mission through various avenues such as media engagement, testimony at public hearings, and conferences that directly address the problems Latino senior citizens are faced with.

Additionally, LCA has implemented a weekly radio show titled Para Mayores that has been broadcasted for the last three years. During the COVID-19 quarantine period, Para Mayores contributed to the lives of many seniors by providing them with timely and valuable information. This has become of significant importance as many times, language and cultural barriers impede seniors' ability to effectively obtain the necessary assistance they require.

As South Florida continues to see an expansion of Hispanic elderly residents in the region, now more than ever are LCA's contributions and mission critical to the surrounding community. I congratulate the Latino Center on Aging on their 30 years of community and contribution. I look forward to their continued success and prosperity in the future.

RECOGNIZING HINDU HERITAGE MONTH

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to join the many Hindu faithful in

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